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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE US-ITALY CIVAIR CONSULTATIONS

REF: (A) ROME 12857; (B) ROME 14342

1. FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE REGARDING POINTS C AND D MENTIONED
REFTEL (A):

A. GOI RESPONSE ON FINAL WINTER SCHEDULES UNCERTAIN.
ITALIANS MAY INSIST ON EX POST FACTO FREEZE OR RECONSIDER
BASED ON ALITALIA INCREASE. WE PREFER TO WAIT FOR ITALIAN
REACTION TO FINAL SCHEDULES BEFORE PURSUING THIS MATTER
FURTHER (REF B).

B. DURING JUNE CONSULTATIONS, ITALIANS SAID THEY WOULD
WANT RESUME NEGOTIATIONS ON BROAD ISSUES THIS FALL AND THEY
WOULD BE IN TOUCH THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS RE DATE. WE
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HAVE HEARD NOTHING SINCE, EXCEPT FOR CALL FROM SERAFINI OF
ITALIAN EMBASSY WHO SAID HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING THIS WITH
FONOFF WHILE HE WAS IN ROME DURING AUGUST. US NEGOTIATING
SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF YEAR IS RAPIDLY BECOMING FULL
WITH A NUMBER OF OTHER IMPORTANT NEGOTIATIONS AND IT WILL
BE DIFFICULT TO FIND TIME TO FIT ITALIANS IN AT THIS LATE
DATE. WE WILL OF COURSE DO SO IF ITALIANS PRESS, NOT ONLY

BECAUSE WE HAVE TACITLY OBLIGATED OURSELVES, BUT ALSO
BECAUSE IT WOULD BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE TO REFUSE. NEVER-
THELESS, IF ITALIANS DON'T MIND AWAITING OUTCOME OF OTHER
US NEGOTIATIONS (E.G., JAPAN), PERHAPS, BECAUSE THEY MIGHT
BELIEVE THIS TO BE TO THEIR ADVANTAGE, EMBASSY SHOULD
ENCOURAGE SUCH THINKING. FYI. OF CURRENT MAJOR AVIATION
DISPUTES, WE HAVE THE LEAST AVIATION LEVERAGE IN CASE OF
ITALY. CONSEQUENTLY WE HAVE LITTLE TO GAIN, AND MUCH
POTENTIALLY TO LOSE, BY CONFRONTING ITALY AT THIS TIME.
WE WOULD, THEREFORE, BE BETTER OFF WAITING TO TACKLE ITALY
UNTIL OUTCOME US-JAPAN TALKS AT YEAR END. END FYI.

2. SEPTEL RESPONDS TO POINTS A AND B. VANCE

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